

**I WANT YOU...
TO BE MY WOOD BADGE
TRAINED LEADER!!**

Wood Badge Course C1-173-12 (Sunday Friendly)
Date: April 12-14 & April 26-28, 2012

<http://www.winnebagoobsa.org>

Hosted by: **Winnebago Council - BSA**
Location: **Howard Cherry Scout Reservation, Central City, IA**
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What is Wood Badge and why should I attend this Training?

Wood Badge was originally presented by Lord Baden-Powell as a means of strengthening and preserving the Scouting movement throughout the world. Since its inauguration in the United States in 1948, thousands of Scouters have attended Wood Badge and have considered it a mountaintop experience in their Scouting careers.



Today, Wood Badge courses provide advanced leadership development. The objective of Wood Badge is to demonstrate in a practical way the "aims and methods" of Scouting and to develop Scout spirit through a program of learning sessions and activities. During the course, you will live Scouting and be exposed to the application of leadership and Scouting skills as they are applied in the development of leaders and youth. This training will help you not only in Scouting but also in your careers, your church and other group situations you are involved with. But more importantly, during your Wood Badge experience, you will create lasting relationships with other Scouters.

The Winnebago Council "Sunday Friendly" Course Dates and Location are as follows:

Pre-Course Gathering: March 2012 – Date and location to be determined. *(This is an informational gathering: Attendance is highly recommended, but not required).*

Course Session #1

Thursday – Saturday, April 12-14, 2012

Course Session #2

Thursday – Saturday, April 26-28, 2012

You must attend both Sessions #1 & #2 to complete the course and be certified.

Course Location:

Howard Cherry Scout Reservation - Boy Scout Camp Wakonda, Central City, IA.

This is a unique offering of a Wood Badge experience for Winnebago Council not only because it is a "Sunday Friendly" Course but also because there will be participants and staff from six BSA Council's

located in Iowa and west central Illinois. This unique course format will provide a great opportunity for participants to network and develop lasting relationships with Scouter's from these other Councils.

What is the purpose of Wood Badge?

The purpose of Wood Badge is to develop skilled leaders who can strengthen Scouting units in achieving the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.

"The Mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law".

The Five Central Themes of Wood Badge are:

- **Bringing the Vision to Life**
- **Models for Success**
- **Tools of the Trade**
- **Leading to Make a Difference**
- **Living the values**

Who Is Eligible To Attend Wood Badge?

The Wood Badge program is for: Registered Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, and Venturing leaders, as well as Scouter's who hold District and Council positions who are trained for their respective position, and are physically able to handle an extended overnight activity. (Scouter's who attended Wood Badge prior to 2000 are welcome to attend again with the understanding that they will be an active participant).

Pre-requisite Training: You need to have completed Basic Leader Training, Position Specific Training and Outdoor Skills Training prior to the first day of the Course. If you have questions about pre-requisite training, contact the Course Director or the Council Training Chair.

Medical Considerations: During the Course, participants will be required to walk around camp and participate in some light physical activities. During the second weekend of the Course you will be camping but in close proximity to activities. If you feel you are physically unable to participate as described (or feel it would be unwise), contact the Course Director. ALL participants must submit a BSA "Medical and Health Record" form, which is available online at: http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34605_Letter.pdf.

Course Registration: *Register Early and Save!*

The total Early-Bird Course registration fee, if registered by Feb. 2, 2012, is \$219/person with the full amount due when registering. The registration fee for registrations received after Feb. 2, 2012 will be \$239/person. If you are unable to attend, you must notify the Council Service Center at least 30 days before the first day of the course to be eligible for a refund. The total fees paid are transferable to other Scouter's. The Course fee includes all meals, training, handouts and course supplies. It does not include the cost of uniforms and Trading Post items.

Course Director (Scoutmaster): Paul Empie @ 319-230-2100